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In re Application of:

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) Art Unit: 3632

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SECOND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 4 and 5. Exhibit A attached hereto contains a complete listing of all of the claims in this application.

REMARKS:

In the last Office Action the Examiner finally rejected claims 1, 4 and 5 and stated that claims 6 and 7 are allowed. Claims 1, 4 and 5 have been canceled.